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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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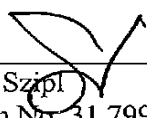
Listed under Foreign Patent Documents Cite No.1 relates to Community Environment Provision System and Object Expression Controller. Cite No. 2 relates to Method and System for Providing Virtual Space. Their relevance is believed to be clear from page 1 of the present specification. Accordingly, no further comment with regard to the disclosures of these documents is believed to be required.

It is respectfully requested that the attached documents be considered and officially cited, and that the Examiner initial a copy of Forms PTO/SB/08A and PTO/SB/08B, and return them to the undersigned to indicate that the documents have been considered.

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